

GOOD MONEY IN CORNSTALKS

Many Practical Uses Found for the Waste of Corn Fields.

PROTECTIVE BELT FOR MODERN WAR SHIPS

Important Advances in the Development of the Navy—Growing Value of the By-Product of Stalks.

A new device in war ship construction has been found, which, it is believed, will make the American navy ship for ship, the superior of any other in the world.

Mr. Lewis Nixon, formerly a United States naval constructor, and who is now engaged in building war ships for the government at Elizabethport, N. J., says of the new invention:

"The value of some light substance that will preserve the stability of light armored vessels by displacing water that might enter after a projectile has been appreciated by naval constructors ever since we began to build steel armored vessels.

"No thoroughly satisfactory cellulose material for this purpose was discovered, however, until the pith of cornstalks was utilized in its manufacture.

"In vessels of high speed, where weight is needed for such a belt of steel, so that we can protect our stability, when we have a good protective deck back of it to protect the vitals, with 100 tons of cellulose, where we should require 1,000 tons of armor.

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"Our cruisers of the Baltimore type, if they are provided with a cellulose belt, would be warranted in engaging many of the second-class ironclads of other powers, without it they are liable to be sunk by a well-directed machine-gun fire.

"The hulls from the fact that, without adding very much to the cost of our vessels, we can greatly increase the efficiency of them all by making their sides automatically resist the inflow of water, and as our cruisers carry heavier batteries than similar vessels of other nations, they would, when so protected, be able to give battle to ships far heavier than themselves."

At one time a cellulose dam from the fiber of cocoa was used in American ships. The cocoa cellulose was useful, but it would not resist the water for more than a few minutes.

The use of corn pith for this purpose was suggested several years ago by Prof. Mark W. Merdson, who had observed its remarkable absorbent qualities.

Among all the mocking horrors of chronic indigestion and liver troubles, none is more unbearable than that dreadful sensation of grinding in the stomach, in which the whole world, indoors or out, seems to swim around before the sight.

"I was suffering with what the doctors called chronic indigestion, torpid liver, and vertigo," writes Mrs. Martha E. Barham, of Newville, Prince George's Co., Md.

"The wonderful effects of this great 'Discovery' are genuine and permanent; they are not due to any false or alcoholic stimulus, but to the healthy muscular strength built up in the stomach and liver are toned; the blood is purified; the entire constitution is rejuvenated and renewed.

In case of constipation, there is nothing so effective as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They act comfortably and surely; they do not grip; you do not become a slave to their use. Their effect is lasting, and it is pleasant.

JOE JEFFERSON'S MAXIMS

Rules Which Have Contributed Most to His Success in Life.

IMITATION A SURE ROAD TO FAILURE

Students of the Stage Must Observe the Inner Man—How He Lost a Week's—Up Van Winkle Story.

"The surest way to score a failure is to imitate some one else."

This is Joseph Jefferson's favorite maxim. For years he has striven to impress his four actor sons with the notion that the truth it contains is of the greatest importance to every one desirous of winning and keeping a place upon the stage.

Mr. Jefferson took greatest interest, perhaps, in preparing Tom for the Rip Van Winkle scene in which that character remains unconscious after a sleep of twenty years.

"Now, Tom, I will lie down as I sleep," he said in effect. "Then I will waken, exactly as I would if I were performing on

the stage of a crowded theater. You must watch me intently. But you must try to catch the gestures of the facial changes. Never mind the outer man; it is the inner man you must observe.

Other Uses Found. In trying to find a product that would answer the needs of the navy Mr. Merdson unwittingly stumbled upon a product that is useful in a greater variety of ways than any other growth of our fields.

The absorbent qualities which make the corn pith cellulose so valuable as a packing for war ships also make it the cheapest and most useful material for the manufacture of smokeless powder.

It is not alone to warlike uses that the humble cornstalk is to be devoted. The absorbent pith makes the best sort of a bath material for the country.

Three factories now in operation are employed in turning out the various products mentioned above. The largest of them is at Owensboro, Ky.

On one occasion, at least, however, an accident from which he expected satisfactory results did more harm than good.

"Never try to gauge the intelligence of your audience by the price of the seats."

"Always keep the promises you make to the public."

"Go to Headquarters."

"My first real victory over circumstances was won in my student medicine.

"But the next day I went down town, walked into the office of a big corporation and asked for the president.

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BRITAIN'S POPULAR BANKS

Remarkable Record of Work Done in Promoting Public Thrift.

BUSINESS OF POSTOFFICE SAVINGS BANKS

Seven Million Depositors and 800,000,000 of Funds—Benefits Accruing to the Nation and the People.

The laying of the corner stone of one of the British Postoffice Savings Bank was a series of buildings, which will occupy five acres of ground in London.

"No financial institution in all history," writes a correspondent of the New York Sun, "has enjoyed so marvelous a growth as the British Postoffice Savings bank.

"You can get on in the world much better by always talking to the head man. I could never have got that place if I had been content to talk with an underling the day I started out to see whether I couldn't earn some money on my own hook."

When people get married in June they feel as if they could live on love, but along with the first of October they both have an unconquerable yearning every now and then for business deals.

John Hills of Norwood, Mo., went to Hartsville and paid the recorder for a license to marry Miss Julia Cole.

A Dakota justice of the peace advertises as follows: "Ladies and gentlemen contemplating matrimony should see me, as I now throw in with every marriage service a free trial of my dandy wedding certificate.

There is a man in Chicago who is buying a woman who used to be his sweetheart, but who he claims he spent in buying presents for her.

The Cuban wife of George Hawkins, formerly a sergeant of the Eighth Illinois Infantry, who is living in Peoria City with his brother-in-law, Charles Higgs, has left him and gone back to her relatives.

The Duke of Norfolk, the present postmaster general, secured the broad tract of land covered for the most part by church and school buildings in the city of London.

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ORCHARD & WILHELM'S SALE.

Shopping Book Free

Sale of All Sample Pieces of Furniture.

Drop Patterns of Carpet

Odd Pairs of Curtains

And Short Lengths of Upholstery Goods.

Each Lady Visiting Furniture Department Tomorrow (Monday)

Will Be Presented With a Beautiful Gift Edge Leather Back Note Book

Or Shopping List, Prepared Especially for This Occasion.

Many Pieces Priced at Less Than the Cost to Manufacture.

Handsome Davenport sofa, tufted seat, button front, full spring edge, seat and back covered in best heavy plain velour, \$41.00—sale price \$29.00.

\$25 Davenport sofa, upholstered in best silk velour, rich, handsome design, frame solid mahogany, hand carved and just enough of moquette to tone it off. This elegant sofa at sale price, \$71.00.

India rustic settees and chairs, elegant summer furniture at prices in this sale that puts them within the reach of all.

\$16.50 India rustic settee, sale price \$12.40.

\$11.50 India rustic chair, sale price \$8.00.

\$14.00 India rustic chair, sale price \$9.25.

\$109.00 India rustic chair, sale price \$7.00.

\$18.50 elegant mahogany frame silk velour upholstered three-piece parlor or library suit at the ridiculously low price of \$72.50.

\$85.00 mahogany frame, silk damask covered three-piece parlor suit, exquisite design, goes at sale price \$57.00.

Very pretty divans, highly polished, inlaid back, rich design, the kind you usually pay \$17.00 for, go at sale price \$11.00.

The best couch value is a full size six-foot six inches long, thirty inches wide, tufted couch, choice covers, best make, the regular \$17.00 couch, sale price \$13.25.

\$8.50 oak chiffonier, with large mirror, has hat box, four large drawers, nicely finished and trimmed, at sale price \$6.00.

\$8.50 enamel chiffonier goes at sale price \$5.90.

\$27.50 canopy top brass bed at sale price \$17.50.

\$45.00 handsome canopy top Flemish sideboard at sale price \$21.50.

\$67.00 Flemish sideboard, elegant design, at sale price \$52.00.

\$39.00 Flemish oak sideboard at sale price \$28.00.

\$48.00 mahogany sideboard, elegant design, sale price \$22.00.

It is not only by taking care of the savings of the individual that the Postoffice Savings Bank is the banker of friendly societies, many banks and charitable funds of all sorts.

It is used by the war office for the savings of soldiers abroad and for the deposit of deferred pay, while the Technical Education Board of the London County Council pays its scholarships through the bank.

England and Wales has an account in the bank. In Scotland the bank has never been so popular, not because the population is less thrifty, but because the ordinary banks favor the deposit of small sums; both there and in Ireland one in every fourteen persons is a depositor.

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